

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Page 3, cancel the third complete paragraph, lines 12-13, and substitute therefore a new paragraph as follows:

-- The object of the invention is achieved providing a rolling mill including support plates which are provided on an operating side of roll stands, are displaced transversely to roll axes, are outfitted for receiving working roll sets, and are located adjacent to a mill floor level for transporting the working rolls back and forth, trenches which are arranged upstream of respective roll stands on the operating side and a base of which is outfitted for delivery of back-up roll sets, and a transport device associated with the support plates for transporting respective support plates between a position for replacing the working rolls and in which the support plates are arranged immediately adjacent to the roll stands above the trenches, and a position for replacing back-up rolls and in which the support plates are located beneath the mill floor level adjacent to a trench region. --.